

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Upon entry of this amendment, which amends claims 4-5, 8, 14, 19, 27, 35, 48, 53, 56, 62, 68, and 71-73, and cancels claims 32-34, claims 4-31 and 34-73 will be pending. In the Office Action, claims 4-73 were rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Anuff et al. (USP 6,327,628, hereinafter "Anuff") and Forms in HTML documents (hereinafter "Forms"). Applicants request reconsideration of the claims in view of the amendments above and remarks below.

Examiner Interview

Applicants thank the Examiner for the courtesy of the Interview conducted on September 15, 2005. During the Interview, amendments to the claims and the cited references were discussed.

Section 103 Rejections

Claim 4 was rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Anuff in view of Forms. Applicants submit that Anuff and Forms, either alone or in combination, do not disclose or suggest

a configuration system including a configuration engine and a configuration interface, the configuration interface configured to modify configuration data further characterizing the customizable immediate access keystroke combination in response to receiving input from a user defining the customizable immediate access keystroke combination, the keystroke combination for a function to be performed for the user interface element; and

a data repository including a data record for storing the configuration data, the data record being accessible using the metadata, the data record defining the function,

wherein the application user interface is automatically generated and configured to perform the function for the user interface element when the immediate access keystroke combination is received.

Anuff discloses a portal that allows a user to control a layout of a page. See *Anuff*, Abstract. Forms discloses HTML syntax. As discussed in the Interview, Anuff and Forms, either alone or in combination, do not disclose or suggest allowing a user to define a

function to be performed for the user interface element. Also, automatic generation of a user interface configured to perform the function when the keystroke combination is received is not disclosed or suggested. Rather, a user can just control the layout of the page using Anuff and Forms.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection of claim 4.

Applicants submit claims 5-31 and 34-73 should be allowable for at least a similar rationale as discussed with respect to claim 4. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejections.

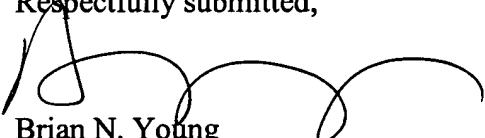
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

Respectfully submitted,

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